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WELCOME to St. Patrick Catholic Church. We hope you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for a day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you to our parish family. Please introduce yourself. Registration forms are available in the entry racks of the Church or contact us any time at 345-6734.

MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY: Saturday Vigil Mass: 6:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

MASS IN SPANISH: 4:00 PM

DAILY: 6:45 A.M. -- Monday-Friday
 8:00 A.M. -- School Days
 8:00 A.M. -- Saturday

HILLCREST NURSING HOME: 9:45 AM Wed.

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Monday thru Friday: 6:30 AM

Saturdays: 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM and
 after 6:00 P.M. Mass

First Fridays: 7:00 PM

OR any time by appointment, call the
 Rectory at 345-6734.

**ST. ANN CHURCH
 (Rural McCook, NE)**

SUNDAY MASS: 8:00 AM
 (Confessions ½ hour before Mass)

**SACRED HEART CHURCH
 (Rural Hayes Center, NE)**

SUNDAY MASS: 10:00 AM
 (Confessions ½ hour before Mass)

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL (345-4546): *Rebecca Redl, Principal; Robin Calvin, Secretary.* Grades K-8. Tuition/book fee for 2018-19 school year: \$750.00 for 1st child; \$150 for 2nd child; \$100 for 3rd child (maximum fee \$1,000). Additional tuition charge for non-parishioners is \$600. There is also the Diocesan Education Fee of \$25.00 per student. School offers: Band, Vocal Music, Spanish, Art, Athletics, Student Council, Hot Lunch, Advanced Math, & Literature.

LITTLE KNIGHTS PRESCHOOL (345-4546): 612 East 3rd St. Morning Pre-K: Mon,Wed-9:00-11:15 AM & Thurs-1:00-3:15 PM; Afternoon Pre-K, Mon-Tues-Wed-1:00-3:15 PM; Toddler: Tues-Thurs, 9:00-11:15 AM.

CCD PROGRAM: Grades K-8, Wednesday evenings during school year, 7:00-8:15 PM. (For children not attending St. Patrick School.)

CYO/GODPARENT PROGRAM: Religion program for Grades 9-12. For more information, please contact the rectory at 345-6734.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS): Classes held on Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM in the School Library. Call the rectory at 345-6734 for information.

LEGION OF MARY: *Carol Lashley (340-8401):* Catholics reaching out to the community in imitation of Mary.

BAPTISM: Call the Rectory to arrange pre-baptismal class and to schedule baptism.

MARRIAGE: Call for an appointment to begin preparation **at least 6 months** before your proposed wedding date.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: Kate Siegfried RN, BSN, FCP (345-5812)

FAMILY COUNSELING: For information or to schedule appointments, call The Immaculate Heart of Mary Counseling Center of Catholic Social Services - **1-800-961-6277.**

PROJECT RACHEL: Healing the wounds of abortion. Don't suffer any longer from guilt, despair, psychological or spiritual problems. Private, sensitive and confidential - **1-800-964-3787.**

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP: Phone Shelley at **345-7217** for more information.

THAT MAN IS YOU (Men's group): Phone the Rectory at 345-6734 for more information.

ALTAR SOCIETY (1st Tues.)

President: Judy Anderson.....217-836-6617
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DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Jill Koenig737-0751
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MASS SCHEDULE - St. Patrick Church

Monday, September 3

6:45 amL/D Members Gerald & Cecelia Koch family
 8:00 am NO MASS

Tuesday, September 4

6:45 amJoseph Burns
 8:00 am Olivia & Hazel Kuhlen

Wednesday, September 5

6:45 am Alex & Willetta Bieker
 8:00 am Dan Enders

Hillcrest Nursing Home Wed. September 5

9:45 am Jim Waddell †

Thursday, September 6

6:45 am Margaret Pettera †
 8:00 am Maxine Hock †

Friday, September 7

6:45 amJanice McMullen †
 8:00 amRuss Niebur †

Saturday, September 8

8:00 am Sylvester Ritter †

SUNDAY MASSES - St. Patrick Church

Saturday, September 8

6:00 pmVirgil Buhrman †

Sunday, September 9

7:30 amRuss Niebur & Bill George †
 9:00 am Joe Titman
 11:00 am For our Parishioners

4:00 pm MASS IN SPANISH Priest's Intention
Iglesia de San Patricio (Church of St. Patrick) (409 Calle F)
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Confesiones: antes de la Santa Misa. (Confessions before the Holy Mass)

MISSIONS:

ST. ANN CHURCH

Sunday, September 9

8:00 am Priest's Intention

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Sunday, September 9

10:00 am Brice & Marilyn Fornoff †

CONTRIBUTIONS for the week of 8/26/2018 – **St. Ann:** \$125.00;

Sacred Heart: \$312.00, Assumption: \$25.00; **St. Patrick:** \$6,613.99, Assumption: \$135.00, Mission Coop: \$52.00.

2017 LUCKY IRISH CALENDAR WINNERS: Aug. 26: Peg Dueland, Aug. 27: Gary Bruggeman, Aug. 28: Anne Jones, Aug. 29: Larry Hoyt, Aug. 30: Wyatt Kain, Aug.31: David Winterfeldt, Sept. 1: Adam Haag.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL RETREAT HOUSE – Experience refuge and solitude, renewal and conversion, sanctuary and prayer: experience a weekend retreat. **Thurs. Sept. 27-Sun. Sept. 30** “Love Made Visible” Eucharistic Adoration Retreat with Fr. Zachary. Rosary, Conferences, Eucharistic Adoration, Healing Service and Masses. To obtain 2018-19 retreat schedule or to register for a retreat, contact Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House, Waverly at 402-786-2705 or www.goodcounselretreat.com.

EWTN FALL SCHEDULES are available at the Church entrances.

PLEASE PRAY THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Raleigh Haas (husband of Kathy Haas), Cecelia Kotschwar (mother of Alan Kotschwar), Dick Walter (father of Tim Walter), Don Benjamin, James Waddell and Joan Gillen of our parish.

PRAYER CHAIN: 340-7946

(Call between 8 & 8:30 am)

Ministry Schedule (September 8 and 9, 2018)				
	Saturday 6:00 PM	Sunday 7:30 AM	Sunday 9:00 AM	Sunday 11:00 AM
Acolyte	McConville	Carfield	Kain	Owens
Acolyte			Fagot	Cappel
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Server	Meixner	Volunteer	Cappel	Barenberg
Server	Miexner	Volunteer	Mai	Kool
Server			Mai	Mashek
Rosary	Jacobs	Beebe	Biegler	Michaelis
Gifts	Please sign up at the back of the Church to carry gifts			

St. Ann Catholic Parish (September 9, 2018)	
Server	Derick Spencer
Server	Ethan Spencer

SCHOOL NEWS –Sept. 3: NO SCHOOL-Labor Day. **Thurs. Sept. 6:** School Confessions.

HELP THE SCHOOL – Please continue to recycle your aluminum cans (use the designated receptacles in the alley) and save your Box Tops for Education, Our Family labels and Schmick's receipts. **WE NO LONGER ACCEPT USED INK CARTRIDGES OR CELL PHONES.**

WANTED: VOLUNTEERS FOR HOT LUNCH – to help serve from 10:30 am - 1:30 pm on Wed. and substitutes. Must complete safety course and background screening.

SCHOOL HOT LUNCH – Please remember to send your student's money for hot lunches so we can set up their Hot Lunch Account. We depend on timely deposits to meet our operating expenses. Thank you!

GARDEN PRODUCE – If you have excess garden produce, please contribute it to the Hot Lunch Program. Drop your items off in the church basement between 9 am -2 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Sun. Oct. 28 – Confirmation. **Nov. 16-18** –TEC (Teens Encounter Christ).

LITTLE KNIGHTS PRESCHOOL -- **Pre-K class AM Session begins on Wed. Sept. 5** and meets Mon, Tues. & Wed from 9-11:15 am & Thurs. from 1-3:15 pm. **Pre-K class PM Session begins Tues. Sept. 4** and meets Mon., Tues, & Wed. from 1-3:15 pm. It is not too late to register. Tuition is \$100/month and a \$100 deposit is required. Must be 4 years old by July 31, 2018. For questions or to request a registration packet, please contact the school at 345-4546.

BARGAIN BAZAAR – Bargain Bazaar is closed **Mon. Sept. 3** for Labor Day. Normal hours (1-4 PM) resume on **Tues. Sept. 4.**

CCD CLASSES – **Wed. Sept. 5 from 7-8:15 PM** in the School.

CYO begins with an opening Mass and supper on **Wed. Sept. 5** at **7:15 pm** in Kelly Park lower shelter house. Parents and freshmen, there will be a short meeting on what to expect for the coming year. Please bring a side dish as follows: Seniors: Hamburger buns, Juniors: Salad, Sophomores: Dessert, Freshmen: Just come and enjoy!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help with 100th Anniversary activities of St. Patrick School! For any questions, you may contact Cassie Spencer (308-278-2644) or Jill Koenig (308-737-0751).

PARISH PICNIC – will not be held this year. We hope to have it again next year. Sorry for the confusion.

CYO GODPARENTS – The first home meeting is at the home of the Godparents on **Wed. Sept. 12.**

Freshman: Travis & Jessica Barger – 345-5566

Sophomore: Aaron & Amanda Peterson – 340-1451

Junior: Jon & Ronda Graff – 340-3412

Senior: Justin & Michelle Terry – 340-4993

CYO BREAKFAST – **Sun. Sept 9 after the 7:30 & 9:00 AM**

Masses. Join us. Everyone is welcome.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION) – Class begins on **Thurs. Sept. 6 at 7:00 pm** in the school library. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or wish to grow in your faith, RCIA is for you. Bring a relative, friend, fellow worker, or neighbor who has expressed curiosity about Catholicism. Everyone is invited. Enter the school through the northeast doors. Please call the rectory at 345-6734 if you have questions.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETINGS RESUME **Tues. Sept. 4.** Rosary at **6:30 pm** in the Church and meeting at **7 pm** in the Church basement. All women of the parish are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING is **Tues. Sept. 11.** Dinner at **6:30 pm.** Meeting at **7 pm.**

PLANNED GIVING – Just as we plan to ensure financial health for our families, we must plan for the health of our faith families. Your planned gift to our parish will provide financial support to allow our parish to continue serving the Catholics of this area. You have a wonderful Catholic heritage. Pass it on! Contact Chris Raun at 402-488-2142 or Les Mach at 402-443-6180 of the Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska for more information.

ABORTION TUESDAYS – The Lincoln Planned Parenthood Center has been open 22 years in our Diocese and has killed 22,000 babies at this one location. One-half of all abortions going in on Tuesdays are married mothers. Please pray for abortion mothers to choose life for their babies on Tuesdays.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP – Closed support group at Community Hospital for adults who have experienced a recent loss of a loved one or for hospice families. No charge to attend. Sessions **begin Sept. 25** and continue on Oct. 9 & 23, Nov. 6 & 20, Dec. 4 & 18 and Jan. 8. Meetings are in Prairie Room B on **Tues. from 4:30-6:00 pm.** New members will not be added after Sept. 25. Call Becky Mai at 344-8221 for more information.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL: Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

“There is another aspect of prayer which we need to remember: silent contemplation. Saint John, for example, tells us that to embrace God’s revelation we must first listen, then respond by proclaiming what we have heard and seen. Have we perhaps lost something of the art of listening? Do you leave space to hear God’s whisper, calling you forth into goodness? Friends, do not be afraid of silence or stillness, listen to God, adore Him in the Eucharist. Let His word shape your journey as an unfolding of holiness.” (Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI)

SCHOOL SECRETARY

St. Patrick School in McCook is seeking an outstanding individual to fulfill the role of School Secretary.

The ideal candidate is an intelligent, motivated, organized, and upbeat person who possesses strong Christian values and can utilize his/her skills to run a pleasant and efficient office. This person will handle general secretarial duties, record keeping, and other tasks that vary daily. Must be able to work with children. Basic computer proficiency including Microsoft Office, Word, Excel and Outlook are required.

To apply for this position, please send a letter of interest and your resume to Becky Redl, PO Box 1040, McCook, NE 69001.

ADORATION SCHEDULE FOR FIRST FRIDAY, SEPT 7:

7:00-8:00PM – Altar Society

8:00-9:00pm – Luke

9:00-10:00pm – John

10:00-11:00pm – Matthew

11:00-Midnight – Mark

FALL FESTIVAL – We are continuing to organize the Fall Festival. We need silent and live auction items. Please donate new or handmade items or services for the auction. Donations can be left at the rectory or call to arrange pick-up. Fall Festival is **Oct. 13 & 14.** There are many different volunteer opportunities, so please us know how you can help! Call Jess Barger (345-5566 or 402-981-9735).

THAT MAN IS YOU! for the Fall Session will begin **Sun. Sept. 9.** This fall’s session will be the “Vision of Man Fully Alive”. You will learn: the path to authentic spiritual freedom, the beauty of the Eucharist, and the power of the Holy Spirit in action from a passionate and dynamic Franciscan Friar; an epic real-life story from the underground mafia in London to the heights of spiritual freedom; and a deeper understanding of each of the four gospels from one of the best theologians in the world. TMIY exposes many of the cultural problems that affect men in their personal & family life & helps them to formulate a response. For information, contact Mike Tines at 340-3028 or Fr. Brethour at 345-6734. Watch the bulletin for start dates.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION TESTIMONIAL – What difference can a holy hour spent in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament make? The person who gave this testimony wants to remain anonymous. A Vietnam War veteran told his wife that he had not been able to experience any kind of peace since his time as a young man in Vietnam. That is until this man started spending an hour each week in prayer in the presence of Jesus, truly present in the tabernacle on the altar at church. He felt peace from the first time he made a holy hour. As his wife told me, “He became so very peaceful and was then able to have a spiritual connection with God. Only then could he feel God’s forgiveness.”

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